

the other fear

the sum of transportation related deaths and injuries has never been calculated. it is incalculable. this is a serious fear. many of these deaths are suicides.

a third fear

the correlate of come to me, darling, is I'm leaving you, dear. transportation makes this possible. it is small solace that transportation makes the phrase "I'm coming" meaningful. where is she coming from? this may not be true in other languages.

inadequate summary

the slightest motion from one point to another raises all sorts of difficulties and unforeseen complications. the function of inadequate complaint departments for all organized modes of transportation is to prevent complaining by the slyest means.

apology and conclusions

I am very sorry. I am truly sorry. this is the end of the line. all passengers must disembark. we are grateful for your patronage, we really are. I mean it. this is freighted with deep meaning. we have reached the terminal.

— Jesse Weiner

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DAD WOULD BE LAUGHING

I'm pumping gas into my car Sunday morning looking down at the hot ground see the shadow of an airplane hear the cars speeding by and someone washing a car and someone else getting directions to Route 2 and the gasoline fumes smell so strong so familiar reminding me of Dad who fixed cars for a living and came home every day smelling like he'd been bathing in gasoline and I thought about death robbing him of life when he was so young and how he deserves to be around still today would've really enjoyed being around still today perhaps sitting here in my car watching me pump the gas laughing trying not to make too much fun of me but not being able to help himself because he knows I'm annoyed as hell about having to have that damn gasoline smell on my hands all day long.